

ROMAN NOSE PARK

(Who was Roman Nose Park named for?)

Ralph: Henry Roman Nose. Old Man Roman Nose. He was a Cheyenne chief. He was one of those fellows that was sent to Fort Marion in St. Augustine, Florida. Then when the Cheyennes were selected on account of their raids.

CHEYENNE PRISONERS AT FT. MARION, FLORIDA AND BEGINNING OF CARLISLE SCHOOL

Jess: And Chief Killer and Coho and two or three of those Cheyennes. Henry was just about eighteen years old and those Cheyennes turned in each other's names that were involved in those raids in Kansas. So they were sent in April, 1875, to Fort Marion in Florida. Henry went there, and they kept him. One man died on the road. That was Graybeard, a Cheyenne. One of Clarence Tallbull's grandfolks. He tried to jump out of the train and shot at him. But he fell out. That was on the way. Henry was there three or four years and Captain R. H. Pratt, him and his daughter came down there and got a peek at those Indians. Just doing some trading.... So Captain Pratt suggested that why not start a school for them (the prisoners) so they went to Washington, him and his daughter. So they requested the War Department could have a school started. So Carlisle, Pennsylvania was the first government school. They sent a portion of them Christmas. Others were sent home. Some died down there, but Henry was one of those that went to Carlisle. And after he was there for four years, he wrote a letter asking if he would come home if they would give him quarters to live in and get on some work. Because he said he didn't want to live in no tipi no more. So Ashley was agent then--Charles F. Ashley. He agreed to get him an official home on reservation at Darlington. So he wrote back to Carlisle and said, "We'll have a house for Henry if he'll come in. We'll give him a job." So he got home. Meantime this one that he married was a widow then. Her first husband died, you know. So he married this woman. So he lived at Darlington in 1890 when this Sitting Bull came down with the Ghost Dance. Then Henry joined that